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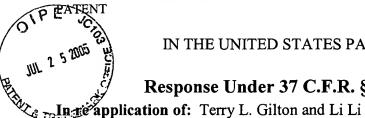
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This responds to the Office action dated April 28, 2005. The action sets a three-month period for responding, making a reply due by July 28, 2005. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.